

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheet(s) of drawings includes amendments to Figures 1A and 1B. This sheet, which includes Figures 1A and 1B, replaces the original sheet including Figures 1A and 1B. Figures 1A and 1B have been amended to include the legend --Related Art--.

Attachment: Replacement sheet
 Annotated sheet showing changes

REMARKS

The Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for thoroughly reviewing and considering the pending application. The Office Action dated June 2, 2005 has been received and carefully reviewed. Claims 1-3 have been amended. Claims 1-3 are currently pending. Reexamination and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

The Office Action indicated that Figures 1A and 1B should be designated with a legend as discussed therein. As noted above, the Applicant has amended these Figures as required in the Office Action. As such, the Applicant requests that the objection regarding Figures 1A and 1B be withdrawn.

Moreover, the Office Action rejected claims 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first and second paragraphs for the reasons noted therein. The Applicant has amended the claims as shown above and requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejection.

In addition, the Office Action rejected claims 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,501,050 to *Fountoulakis* (hereinafter "*Fountoulakis*"). The Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

As required in Chapter 2131 of the M.P.E.P., in order to anticipate a claim under 35 U.S.C. §102, "the reference must teach every element of the claim." The Applicant respectfully submits that *Fountoulakis* does not teach every element recited in claims 1-3. Thus, *Fountoulakis* cannot anticipate these claims. More specifically, claim 1 has been amended to recite a backside decoration element having a clutch, where the clutch includes "a plurality of fixing projections disposed on ends thereof." *Fountoulakis* does not disclose this feature. While *Fountoulakis* discloses a clutch 10 having leaves 26, which according to the Office Action, are

fixing projections¹, the leaves 26 are not disposed on ends of a clutch, as recited in amended claim 1. As such, the Applicant respectfully submits that *Fountoulakis* fails to disclose each and every element recited in claim 1, and requests that the rejection be withdrawn. Similarly, claims 2 and 3, which depend from claim 1, are also patentable for at least the same reasons.

The application is in a condition for allowance and favorable action is respectfully solicited. If for any reason the Examiner believes a conversation with the Applicant's representative would facilitate the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney at (202) 496-7500. All correspondence should continue to be sent to the below-listed address.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time, or any other fees required to complete the filing of this response, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0911. Please credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 50-0911. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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¹ See the Office Action at page 4.



Fig. 1A
Related Art

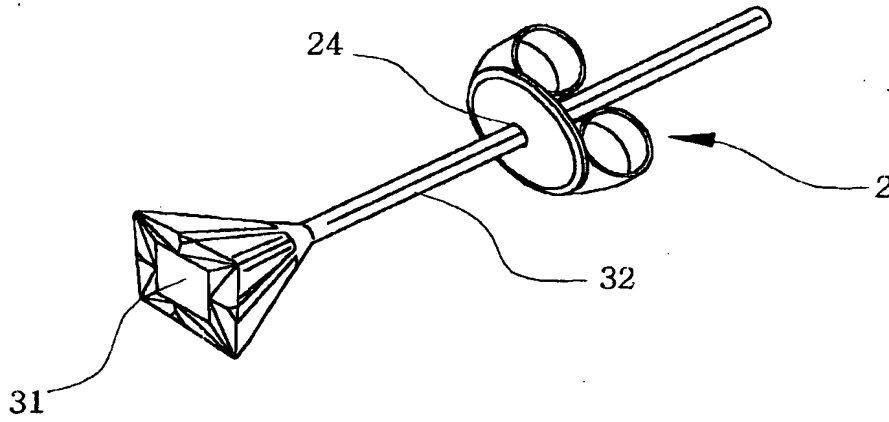


Fig. 1B
Related Art

